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had thought proper to retract, and not deliver the challenge. Hence the action. The example is set by Sir Richard John M. Young, secretary to the Legation, makes the English Consul, re-siding at Majma, and to the public of Central America.

**News from the Bahamas.**

By the big Pedraza, Capt. Dorte, we have received papers from Nassau, N. P., up to the 4th ult. previous arrivals were to the 23d of April.

The news are unimportant.

An interesting letter had taken place between the Colonial Secretary, on the part of the Governor, T. H. Rose, Collector of Customs, relative to refusal of his Excellency to grant leave of absence to named gentleman to visit the United States for benefit of his health. The editor of the *Bahama Standard* comes for his share of the administrative displeasure having published a statement of the Collector's opinion. Mr. R. was forced to retract, or at least to modify his position. The Rev. Doctor Strachan, Rector of Christ Church, resumed his ministerial labors on Sunday, April 24, at 10 o'clock.

One of the Hon. members of the Council of Turks Islands had been suspended.

The Secretary of State, the *Bahama vessel*, had been dismissed at Turks Islands.

The Council of Turks Islands had prepared a memorial to the Secretary of State.

**The Queen of the Antilles.**

TO THE EDITOR OF THE NEW YORK HERALD.—The position of Cuba—the importance of Cuba—resources of Cuba—force more than conjecture its ultimate fate, upon the political horizon of the whole world—under the floating stars and stripes—deserve deep consideration, as well as forcing our thoughts upon the old Spaniards whilst they wait for the last stronghold in the western waters vanishing in their grasp.

No man of sane mind can look in the first place at the position of Cuba, knowing the despotism that there has been in these days of the nineteenth century, without being convinced that the time is approaching when it must be changed; when liberty and life must be secured to man, and when there, as here, citizens, proprietors, and laborers, must be free to voice the franchise by which they consent to be governed, and which they consent to live.

Cuba is so near to America that the shade of the rising sun is thrown to the verge of the Florida shore, though the Gulf separates by a few miles the one from the other, many days will not elapse before the influence of the great land of liberty will be felt and seen in Cuba, and the people will be free to choose for themselves in this vast continent of freedom, law, and order.

For the information of your readers I will state

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himself, in Madrid, would sell their own countrymen  
so whenever they have a chance. This is a  
man who has broken down American  
copies of Cuba appointed? How? In the first  
personal interest, from sordid motives, the  
office depends upon the sums they send and  
they periodically to those who promoted them  
himself—then indeed his occupation gone, and  
he before the old one is removed.  
The Captain General of Cuba is not really remain  
the sources of his monumental. We will pat  
the first place he gets for pay... \$  
...for the... stores... write...  
...for letting pass...  
...for appointments.

Total. ...\$1

But does any one dream that this is all? May  
...of the... part of it. But  
...Listen oh ye nations! or shall we  
Cuba gets three golden ounces, or \$50, for the ad  
...any lack  
...\$300,000 a year. Captain General  
million of dollars in three years. Captain General  
\$750,000 from this source alone whilst he  
vice.

Every Cuban slave owner pays a tax of one dollar  
...This is the Queen's  
Cuba, after paying the same tax,  
sends every year to Spain ten million to

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